CHAPTER NO. 131

HOUSE BILL NO. 3241

By Representative Mumpower

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3215

By Senator Crowe

AN ACT to amend Chapter 193 of the Private Acts of 1955; as amended by Chapter 133 of the Private Acts of 1986; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the qualifications for mayor and aldermen in the Town of Mountain City.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Article IV, Section 2 of Chapter 193 of the Private Acts of 1955, as amended by Chapter 133 of the Private Acts of 1986, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting such section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Section 2. Mayor and Aldermen - qualifications

Be if further enacted, that no person shall be eligible to the office of mayor or alderman unless such person has been for a least one (1) year next before the election a citizen of Tennessee and an actual resident of the Town of Mountain City, and is at least twenty-one (21) years of age. No person shall be eligible to the office of mayor or alderman who holds any kind of office -- executive, judicial or legislative -- under the United States, the State of Tennessee, Johnson County, or the Town of Mountain City, except that an alderman of the town may run for the office of mayor of Mountain City, and any alderman or the mayor may run for re-election of a position currently held. If such person is elected to the office of mayor and a vacancy in the office of alderman then exists, such vacancy shall automatically be filled by the candidate for alderman who received the next highest number of votes; if none, then such vacancy shall be filled by the board of mayor and aldermen.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the Town of Mountain City within thirty (30) days of its signing by the governor or becoming law without the governor's signature. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.

PASSED: April 17, 2002

JUMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24th day of April 2002

DON SONOCUES GOVERNOR